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SHORTHORNS BLAST OUT A 13-1 VICTORY OVER THE LONGHORNS IN THE FCA ANNUAL GREEN GAME

Two teams (and 35 substitutes,) known as the "Shorthorns," led by Cap Arnold and Sam Sanders, and the "Longhorns," with Jim Isleib and Mahlon Selby doing the managing, amid the cheers of 500 spectators took the field in the FCA annual field day to participate in a grudge match. It wasn't very long before the Shorthorns gathered in a lot of hits good for several runs off the slants of Big Jim Isleib. Isleib gave up after toiling 3 innings and gave way to Ray McWhirt (a pitcher in the Government softball league.) Ray could do no better than Jim as he was shellacked for 7 runs and 12 hits. The play of Collins and Lindsey at shortstop and second base, respectively, was outstanding for the Shorthorns. Each made spectacular plays and played errorless ball. George Olson, former American Association player and dark-horse for the Longhorns, went down swinging at 3 of Cap Arnold's fast balls in his first appearance at the plate. The longest hit made in the contest was by "Wink" Johnson to left field which went for a home run. The greatest number of put-outs and assists were made by base umpire Bob Drescher. Tom Piper relieved Cap Arnold after the third inning and was charged with the only score that the Longhorns could get.

"Wait until next year," say Isleib and Selby.

Grover Cleveland was second-guessing every play over the public address system and he kept the spectators and players amused with his usual wisecracks.



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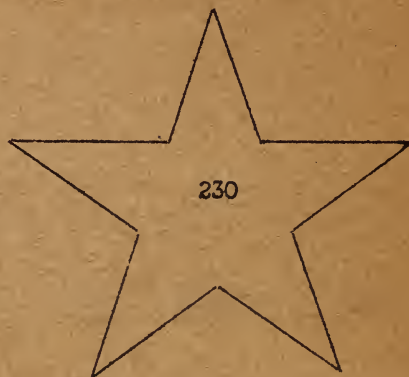
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The verse "Tick Tock," which appeared in the last issue of the GRAPEVINE was a contribution by an independent writer, not a member of the Poetry Class.

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FCA's Service Star



News From Field And Camp



LETTERS FROM OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN SERVICE

Sgt. Harwood Suggs, 312th Ftr. Wing (Sp)
APO 210, Box 4, c/o Postmaster, New York,
New York.

Somewhere in China
June 19, 1945

Dear friends,
The Chinese ground forces, new revitalized, and American-trained seem much improved over the battered and out-matched force which was driven back into China earlier in the war. Our ally has a very "dogged" personality and you seldom see even the most unfortunate disgusted to the point of quitting. This country and its people have many characteristics which to us seem crude, but you can't deny their tenacity and persistence. I've seen things accomplished by nothing but man power that are actually unbelievable. Irrigation systems that are infallible, beautiful pagodas and bridges made from bamboo, and their silver-

smithing and needle work are actually works of art. Our camp has been chosen for a big 4th of July celebration. We will have Bingo, penny pitch, "hamburg" stand, cake and ice cream. The ice cream will probably mean more than anything else. It will be the first for many in a year. Such things as ice cream, cakes, beer, etc. seem small and trivial, but believe me, it's the small things we guys over here miss. Thank you again for not forgetting us and keeping us posted on all the goings-on.

Phyllis M. Taylor, SK2C, Wave Bks. No. 81, Naval Air Station, Alameda, California.

I enjoyed my recent visit at FCA. It was grand to see my old friends again. I hope I soon shall be able to join them. Since I was unable to contact all of the FCA Club members, I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the GRAPEVINE which I enjoy very much.

FEC John K. Smith, 37531075, Co. C 147th Engineer (C) Bn., APO 228, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

Since I wrote you I have spent a couple of months in the hospital. Had my leg hurt by a tree top clipped off by artillery fire. I was hurt in Germany, flown by C-47 to Rheims, France, and then to Evroux for a rest. VE day was the day I got out of the hospital, which perhaps proves only that I was "goldbricking." Had to change trains in Paris, so the natural thing was to miss my train. Everybody went wild, bands playing, flags waving, lots of parades, mobs of people blowing horns and yelling. I have been told I will go back to the U. S. about December. This gives me a possibility of being there to greet Santa. I am taking photography here, but we don't have very much equipment so it isn't the best in the world. I like it, though, and I have learned some things. Be seeing you about Christmas -- I hope.

Denzel P. Folger Y2c, PreComm Training Center Staff, Bldg. 7, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California

Thank you for the good letters I've been receiving and for the editions of the GRAPEVINE which is certainly welcomed and appreciated. I advanced to Yeoman 2c last February. We have had a lot of movie entertainers and radio stars to entertain us here, and I have seen a lot of good football games, etc., but when I get a chance I'll still beat it back to Kansas City and be well pleased to quit traveling around on trains and training ships for the rest of my days. Good luck to all, and may we all be back together again before many more months pass by.

Willis S. Vail, FHm 3/c, Unit X, Bldg. #65, U.S.N.T.S. - No. 3, Norfolk 11, Va.

After nearly two years I finally get a chance to see if I'm a sailor. I'll go aboard the U.S.S. Henderson when commissioned. Will certainly be glad when this is all over and I can be back with you-all. Being so close to Washington, D.C. where first I was associated with FCA brings back some pleasant memories. I should appreciate a line from anyone of the old gang in duplicating. I also wish to extend thanks to the Farm Credit Club for the nice Christmas box.

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After serving more than a year as editor of the servicemen's news, Catherine Champe asked to be relieved of this assignment, and Elizabeth Welch has kindly consented to assume this post. In addition to editing the letters from servicemen for inclusion in the Grapevine, Elizabeth will assemble all the letters received from FCA's service family in a scrap book which will be available in the Clubroom to anyone who may be interested in reading it.

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Strictly Personal



Central Office Accounting. Lt. Vencil Ward, a recent graduate of Officers' Candidate School in Ft. Benning, Ga., and Mrs. Ward stopped in to say hello while en route to California..... Coworkers' said "fond" farewells to Bonnie Perry at luncheons at the Terrace Grill and the Drum Room before her departure for her home in Casper, Wyo., where she has accepted a position with the Army Air Corps..... Margaret Keating was joyful over a telephone call from her husband, Lt. Howard Keating, announcing his arrival in the States with the 95th Division..... Mary Margaret Donnelly reports a wonderful vacation which included fishing in the Ozarks and attending the open air opera and a ball game in St. Louis..... Another Missouri vacationist was Clive Russell who spent a week "down on the farm.".... At an Audit Unit party in Loose Park, Robert Yorkdale introduced a new fashion in picnic fare when he ate his "hot" dogs "cold" and roasted his ice cream..... Helen Goff is visiting her mother in Oklahoma..... New bride Melba Cooper dropped in to see former coworkers before departing for California..... The section enjoyed making the acquaintance of tiny Norma Sue and Marshall Veasey and their mother, Mrs. Herry Veasy..... Another youthful visitor in the section was 5 weeks' old David Jacomet, introduced by proud mother, Lucile, and father, Mel; on his first trip down town..... While vacationing at her home in Kansas City, Dot Martin received news that her young brother had returned to the States from a stay of several months on Saipan.

Chief Clerk's Office. Latest word from WAC Alverta Marston, who is taking her

basic training Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., informs us that she finished her theory course with the highest grade in the class, a 99 percent average.

Cooperative. It was orange blossoms for Virginia Hibbs on July 10 when she became the bride of Charles Levy in California..... Margaret Elliott is a present vacationist..... Detailed to the division is Bernita Noland from RACC... L. F. Rickey of CR&S Division was a recent visitor from Washington.

Examination. Mary Jo Matlick visited at her home in Ethel, Mo..... Girls of Verification Unit recently enjoyed flowers from the garden of Laura Miller.

Finance & Accounts. Barbara Kelley is vacationing at her home in Kansas City... Lourene Pederson is welcomed to Typing Unit..... Returning vacationist Peggy Lowe has a beautiful new suntan... Securities Section has the welcome mat out for Sally Lewis from the State Department in D.C..... Vivian Anderson was called to her home in Rice Lake, Wis., because of the sudden illness of her mother..... Virginia Bahr attended a party on July 1 celebrating the birthday of her best girl friend..... A 3 days' vacation was spent by Ruby Whitaker at her home in Kansas City over the July 4 holiday..... Erma Dinger hastened eastward for a reunion with her son who is returning from the European theatre of war..... Recent Iowa guests of Sylvia Mehaffy's were Mr. and Mrs. James of Burlington and Mrs. Mecklenburg and son, Kenneth, of Morning Sun..... Louise Noblet is on leave enjoying the return of her husband, Lt. Russell Noblet..... A present guest of Nora Reynolds' is her sister, Mrs. Geneva Lessley..... Lt. Gertrude Foerster of the WAVES, stationed in the East, dropped in to greet old friends while in Kansas City on official duty. Lt. Foerster was a guest in the W. B. Uhlenhop home.... Lena Kent

was elated to read in the newspaper that the 137th Infantry, of which her son is a member, was selected as honor guard for President Truman when he arrived in Antwerp.

General Files. Doris Kirchhoff from Stenographic Section is detailing.... Former FCA'er Norman Ellis with Mrs. Ellis and baby, present New Yorkers, visited in the section while vacationing in Kansas City....A souvenir received from Harwood Suggs, now stationed in China, was a pure silk handkerchief with blue birds on it....Elizabeth Ammon is relaxing on a vacation at her home in Kansas City....A picnic lunch was spread in the section on July 4 with food remaining from the club picnic at Fairyland Park the day before. Those who had not attended the club picnic were entertained with descriptions of the fun they had missed.

Governor's Office. Aline Foster Dunham has parted from secretarial duties in Cliff Woodward's office to take up housekeeping in Lawton, Okla....Greeted three former FCA'ers who visited in the office, Mary Lou Millisack, Jill Burch, and Ann Cowan....Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Selby on completion of 20 years of marital happiness.... Jeanette Paetzer's husband, Bill, has been transferred from Hollandia, New Guinea, to Manila with the 1799th Engineers....Lucile Cramer is revitalizing on a 2 weeks' vacation.

Graphic. Bessie Docman is back at her desk fully recovered from a recent operation....Sue Taylor resigned to return to her home in Ridgeway, Mo., and obtain a college education....Newcomer Ruth Riggs is a welcome addition to Composing Unit....Ethel Webb has returned from a week's visit at her home in Carthage, Mo....A Marine's influence caused Dorothy Palmer to dash up to the windy city of Chicago for a visit.

Land Bank. Miss Jessie Moore of the FLB of Louisville was a recent visitor in the division and enjoyed seeing FCA under the guidance of Dixie Donelson.... Dorothy Griffith is vacationing at her home where a favorite little brother anxiously awaited her arrival...."Red Ruffing" Isleib spent a few days loafing in the Ozarks....Convalescents Bill Rhea and Louis Townsend are recovering from recent operations....Frank Jones is another vacationist.

Library. Two Naval visitors in the library recently were Ensign Clif Nilson, brother of Bernice, and Herbert Place, guest of Lucille Achauer....Louise Fressgrove has returned from a 2 weeks' vacation....Corinne Black Ludwig, during a short visit with former coworkers while en route to her home in Shawnee, Okla., asked to be remembered to FCA friends.

Personnel. Friends of Pat Clark are hoping that in her new position with the OPA in Denver she will not forget the many meatless meals we are "enjoying."....Polly McCoy Wells of the Coast Guard writes that she has started keeping house in Oakland, Calif....Further details on the June wedding of Nell Mellott to Lt. H. S. Pearson reveal the 28th as the date and Jacksonville, Fla., as the place....Petty Taylor is wiser in the ways of wisdom teeth as hers continue to trouble her....Lloyd Johnson is spending a couple of weeks away from the office with his family....Comes word that Julia Norton, who recently traded Missouri for Florida, has firmly implanted herself with the purchase of a new home in Miami....Family of John Francis, recent departee from FCA, has traveled to Chicago to join him.

Planning. Lyle Young, returning from a week end trip with Mrs. Young and tiny daughter in Arkansas City, Kans., has glowing tales of big beautiful fish which he did not catch.....

J. Clyde Smith's son, Lt. James Eugene Smith, of the Navy, with Mrs. Smith, is spending a furlough at home before traveling to Dallas to enter flight training.

Production Credit. Art Esgate's mother and father, recent guests of his from St. Petersburg, Fla., enjoyed Kansas City weather equaling or bettering that of their home.... Evelyn Alberg spent a week's vacation in and near Kansas City while her husband was on furlough from Ft. Leavenworth, Kans.... Ken Scott boasts of the culinary and housekeeping skill of his son, Walter, displayed recently while Mrs. Scott was in the hospital..... Gwen Goode's mother arrived from Arkansas for a visit with her.... Opha Thompson, of the American Red Cross, writes a hello from the Philippines and describes a 2 weeks' exploration trip before leaving Brisbane, Australia..... Milt Jones vacationed at his home in Kansas City and with relatives and friends in nearby Kansas.

Purchase & Supply. A certain Army lieutenant's home on leave is taking up a considerable amount of Mary Harris' time.... James Mock spent a few days at home gardening.

Solicitor's Office. E. Anthony has returned from an official business trip to D.C.... Participation in a family reunion was a recent pleasure of Karine Barstad's.... Linus Gardner hastened to Elma, Iowa, to greet his brother, John, who returned to the States from the European theatre of war after release from a German prison camp..... Vacationist Abe Goldman, with his family, is Indiana bound.

Stenographic. One of the surprises of Gladys Lytle's vacation was a new arrival who greeted her as "auntie".... Gertrude Boolkin is welcomed to the section.... "How was the horse racing?" was the question asked of returning

vacationist Rosalyn Ham.... Marjorie Freel is recuperating at her home on extended sick leave.... Marian Stolov is presently vacationing.... A recent transferee to the section was Elizabeth Welch from Typing Unit of Finance & Accounts Division.

Tabulating. Mrs. Hays Groo and son, Richard, were recent visitors in the unit.... Dick Robertson's arrival at the "manful" age of 21 on July 10 was celebrated at a dinner at the Ralph Foster home.

Telephone. A dinner honoring Irene Grieger, recent departee from FCA, who was furloughing in Kansas City with her husband, A/C Norbert Grieger, was given by Charlotte Toomey on a recent eve. Guests were girls of the Telephone Office and Shirley Ellefson.

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Filly-dell-fia

Dear Ma:

I tell you, Ma, they is no lengths to which some girls won't go to get a feller in trouble, but that girl in Washington that rote you about my beeing their to see her is the wurst I ever seen, and she seemed like such a nice girl, too. I mean, she didn't slapp my fais or kick my shinns like most girls, and that's what fooled me, I gess. Because the minnit my back is turned, she rites you a letter.

Well, I was in Washington. After all, I spent one yere in Missouri, so I gess I got a perfeck rite to go to Washington just like enybuddy else from Missouri, and who ain't? And that bizness of worrying you about my cold. It ain't nuthin that can't be cured just as soon as they stop rashuning the meddisin.

And Ma, that girl in Washington tell you all that stuff about Filly-del-fia being the City of Brutherly Love, well, you

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Home Service News



Summer vacations have not interfered with the war service rendered by our FCA girls who belong to the Red Cross Motor Corps. One evening recently Delta Vaughn, Alma Franklin, and Marie Wassenberg devoted 5 hours' work to the maintenance crew, checking equipment and the mechanical operations of cars operated by the Motor Corps. Twice a month a thorough check is made on the 35 to 40 cars used in the service as to lights, oil, water, and mechanical defects, thus saving the expense of possible breakdowns and holding accidents to a minimum.

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The Farm Credit Club picnic again scored high on the Club's nit parade of activities. Although even those who worked to make it a success seemed to be enjoying themselves to the fullest, special mention should be given to Walter Hein and Landon Porter for assuming the responsibility of the Picnic Committee, to Bob Yorkdale, who was in charge of the athletic events, and to Grover Cleveland, the "Voice" of the picnic.

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If you don't want to shiver next winter, the Office of Defense Transportation suggests that you buy your coal now. Of course, the Credit Union stands ready to make loans for this purpose and any other providential purpose, such as consolidation of debts, vacation, tuition, insurance, taxes, etc.

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just taik that with a grane of salt. Brutherly love may be o.k. as a theory, but this town is full of sisters, too, and from what I been able to see, love hear ain't much diffrent from what it is in Washington or Kansas Citty or Spokane, only they is moar peeple hear, so they is moar of it.

Enyway, when I wuzn't sneazing I had a good time in Washington. I sean Giff Hoag, that uset to be in the offis next to me in Kansas Citty, and I sean Herb Mumford, that uset to be in Kansas Citty, too. Washington sure agrees with him. He's got a new baby, a goat, two ducks, some banty chickens and some real chickens since he's been in Washington. It just shows what you can do when you set yore mind to it...Yore loving son

Willy

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CITED

It has come to our attention that as Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Marketing Service, WFA, J. E. Wells, Jr., has been awarded a Distinguished Service Citation by President Truman, endorsed with the congratulations of J. M. Johnson, Director of the Office of Defense Transportation. In this capacity, Mr. Wells was instrumental in finding adequate storage space for grain to accomodate the surplus all over the country.

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At the last meeting of the Credit Union board of directors, Lyle Young's resignation was accepted and M. J. Fraile was elected board member and treasurer to fill Mr. Young's unexpired term.

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BUY MORE WAR BONDS

Club Room Notes



New books recently received in the club library include:

DESERT ISLAND by H. Allen Smith
 THE HAPPY TIME by Robert Fontaine
 THE PATTERN OF SOVIET POWER by Edgar Snow
 THE JOURNEY HOME by Zelda Popkin
 BEDELIA by Vera Caspary
 THE DOUBLE AGENT by Hildegard Tiethe
 MARTA OF MUSCOVY by Phil Stong
 MIDSUMMER NIGHTMARE by Christopher Hale
 BLACK WEATHER by Burton Roueche
 CALAMITY AT HARWOOD by George Bellair
 AGAINST THESE THREE by Stuart Cloete
 THEY WERE SEVEN by Eden Phillpotts
 BURNING GOLD by Robert Hardy Andrews
 A STAR DANCED by Gertrude Lawrence
 EVERYTHING RUSTLES by Mannix Walker
 THE WAYFARERS by Dan Wickenden

The following books were donated to the club library by John A. Smith:

TWENTY THOUSAND LEAGUES UNDER THE SEAS
 by Jules Verne
 A ROMANCE OF TWO WORLDS by Marie Corelli
 THE PIONEERS by J. Fenimore Cooper
 THE SCARLET LETTER by Nathaniel Hawthorne
 WHEN KNIGHTHOOD WAS IN FLOWER by Edwin Caskoden
 THE CRISIS by Winston Churchill

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GETTING TO WORK AT 8 A.M.

Several male graduates of the Job Methods Training courses are applying the principles of scientific management to getting to work at the ungodly hour of 8 a.m. without losing 15 minutes' precious sleep. Here are some

suggested do's and don't's based on their breaking down of the operation:

1. Don't throw your shoe at alarm clock when it goes off in the cold gray dawn and go back to sleep another 40 winks. Instead place alarm clock in an adjoining room so you will have to get up, cross bedroom and turn it off.
2. Take bath at night instead of morning. If you must take a shower in morning to wake you up, don't waste time singing; time studies show that it takes twice as long to bathe when you sing.
3. Lather and shave your face only once, and use a new blade occasionally.
4. Lay out your clothes the night before, so you won't waste time in the morning hunting for a tie to match your suit.
5. Simplify your breakfast by concentrating on a few standard items, such as fruit juice, toast, and coffee. If time presses, you can carry your toast with you and eat it on the way down town in the bus or car.
6. Run, don't walk from your house to the bus or street car. But better get a physical check-up first to make sure your heart can stand the strain.

P. S. What are the ladies doing about the change in hours?

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BILL HARRIS SELECTED IDEAL DAD

Because of a letter written by the 8-year old son of Bill Harris, former FCA'er and editor of the Grapevine, and presently an employee of the Office of Personnel, Department of Agriculture, Bill was selected as one of the two ideal dads of 1945 by the WASHINGTON

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Sportlight



FCA SUMMER BOWLING LEAGUE

Team standings

Team	Won	Lost	Pin Fall
Browns	23	10	22,410
Tigers	20	13	21,301
Yankees	17	16	21,117
Red Sox	16	17	21,398
Indians	15	18	22,014
Senators	14	19	21,261
White Sox	14	19	20,182
Athletics	13	20	20,576

Records

HTG	Senators	812
HTS	Browns	2,206
HIG (men)	Frazee	256
HIG (women)	Anderson	256
HIS (men)	Frazee	615
HIS (women)	Anderson	555

Averages

Men	McWhirt	165
	Frazee	164
	Drescher	161
Women	Anderson	163
	McGee	139
	Ruch	133

"250" Club

Anderson	256
Frazee	256

"200" Club

Drescher	200
Ruch	209
Bartlett	209
Carter	211
McWhirt, Ray	219
Dahill (sub)	222

WINTER BOWLING

Team lineups are now being submitted for the coming winter season of the FCA Women's Bowling League. Lists of teams or names of individual bowlers can be entered by calling Margaret Porter on Extension 20. Names of substitute bowlers are also desired.

A general bowling meeting will be held about the third week in August, and the new season will open at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, September 6, at the Plaza Bowl.

HUMDINGERS DO IT AGAIN

The leading Humdingers behind the pitching of Y. Meuers grabbed their second victory with a 8 to 7 triumph over the All Stars. It was the steady pitching of Y. Meuers and the timely twin killing by Franklin as well as the support of Muller, Schmidt, and Schwendeman, high scorers, that registered the triumph.

Vaughn came to the aid of her All Star team with two neat homers, and L. Meuers and Norton came through with the honor of being high scorers.

FUTURE BASEBALL STARS

Among the diamond talent chosen for the All-Star American Legion junior baseball team which played at Ruppert Stadium on July 10 was Walter Peterson, son of Mrs. Mabel Peterson of the Solicitor's Office, and George Bartlett, son of George Bartlett of Examination Division.

It was a thrilling game for the 54 youngsters chosen to receive a chance for selection as the outstanding player to represent this section in Esquire's second annual all-American boys' game to

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BILL HARRIS SELECTED IDEAL DAD
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POST. The story was published in the June 15 issue of the POST, but for those who might not have read it we print the letter that won Bill the title.

"Dear Post,

My dad is the best dad there is. He has three boys and he says he wants a ball team. He never fusses at us. We always know he means what he says. In summer he takes me on hikes and tells me about trees and birds. In fall we go the mountains and I shoot my be-be gun.

"At night we do the dishes together and talk about volcanos and whales and things. Then we sit in front of the fire and he reads us storys. I like Uncle Remus because my dad can talk like him. Dad always helps us take a bath and puts us to bed and we say our prayers for him.

"I go to church with him on Sunday. He loves to sing the church songs. When mom was sick this winter he cooked our supper. We have a new brother and when we couldn't get a nurse dad stayed home last week and took care of us.

"His hobby is making furniture and he made lots of ours. At night after we go to bed he writes things that are printed in books.

Billy Harris"

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Present office hours of the Credit Union in room 1254 are as follows: On payday and day after from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, (not falling on payday or day after) from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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BUY MORE WAR BONDS

NEW SERVICE ADDRESSES
(Change your directory; or add to it.)

Opha Thompson
42nd General Hospital
APO 75, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Andrew N. Morrison, S 2/c
958-25-38
TADCEN, Camp Elliott
San Diego 44, California

T/4 Harry E. Dellinger, Sr., 37729180
A. G. M. R. U.
Hq. Assembly Area Command
APO 752
c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

S/Sgt. Joseph F. Kudlack
Hq. Sqd., Radio Department
M. O. T. G. 81, M. C. A. S.
9th M. A. W., F. M. F.
Cherry Point, North Carolina

Lt. (j.g.) Charles M. Lane
USS Boise CI-47
375707

c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

Pfc. William W. Henritz, 37516073
Sqdn F. 136 AAF EU MBAAF
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

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FUTURE BASEBALL STARS
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be played in New York on August 28. The boys played in uniform and the American Legion band was on hand to furnish music.

Both boys played on the winning team under Casey Stengel against the Dutch Zwilling team. Walter, 17, received honorable mention for his southpaw pitching, having taken over the mound in the second inning; while George, also 17, did an excellent job of rightfielding and base stealing. The boys are high school juniors, Walter at Lillis and George at Southwest.